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1. The following aircraft were observed at the Finow (W 53/V 08) airfield on 15 July 1950: ten jet fighters with swept-back wings on the northern edge; 23 jet fighters with swept-back wings on the eastern edge; 12 to 15 single-engine, low-wing monoplanes with in-line engines and red propeller hubs; 5 single-engine low-wing monoplanes with a radial engine and dark-green paint; 4 biplanes with a radial engine; and 1 single-engine high-wing monoplane. *
2. The jet fighters had numbers, about 70 cm high, on their nose. The black numbers 01, 10, 24, 25, 26, 27 and the red numbers 19, 20 and 25 were identified. ** No flying was observed during the morning except the landing of a jet fighter [REDACTED]
2. On 16 July 1950, 28 planes were counted on the northern edge of the field. * 25X1B Thirteen of the planes were jet fighters with swept-back wings and covered with tarpaulins, twelve planes, some painted light blue, were of an undetermined type, and the rest were single-engine biplanes. Six jet fighters, with swept-back wings and not covered, were on the eastern edge of the field. They had black numbers on their noses. The number 01 was identified. Passenger car [REDACTED] was seen at the field. *** No flights were made between 2:10 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. 25X1B
- * [REDACTED] Comment. The report confirms the occupation of the airfield by fighter units. There are no indications that the occupation has been changed, and two fighter regiments are still believed to be stationed there. These regiments are equipped with Yak-9s, type 114 jet planes and La-9s. The jet aircraft which were observed probably do not represent the total number stationed at the field. According to a previous report the two fighter regiments were equipped with a minimum of 40 jet planes. See [REDACTED] 25X1A
- ** [REDACTED] Comment. The information that numbers were painted in various colors on the noses of the jet planes was previously received. See [REDACTED] The planes of the two regiments are distinguished by the color of the numbers. It has not been determined that the numbering of the planes was done systematically. 25X1A
- *** [REDACTED] Comment. The motor vehicle numbers belong to ground units of the two fighter regiments.

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